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To whom it may concern,

So far the whole process seems to be at a failure point. Microsoft is getting off relatively free, and is almost assuredly going to be in a stronger than ever position and certainly able to move in and take over more and more markets. How did this happen? I realize that the situation is complex, but Microsoft too large to be affected by natural selection (or the business world version of it). Could this even have happened if it were a Car/Gasoline maker instead of a Computer Operating System/Application maker? Could the Car/Gas producer have even got to a 95% market ownership? Would the Government have even let it get that far? Ok, the computer industry really sort of snuck up on the U.S. Government, that said though, please do something to correct the situation. What is so far being pushed through is not the answer...it is certainly not enough.

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